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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Satoshi MATSUMOTO et al. : Attn: BOX PCT
Serial No. NEW : Docket No. 2001_0600A
Filed May 23, 2001 :
PLATE HEAT EXCHANGER AND METHOD
OF MAKING SAME
[Corresponding to PCT/JP99/06413
Filed November 17, 1999]

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the above-identified new PCT
application, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 1-13 without prejudice or disclaimer
thereof, and kindly substitute therefor the following new claims:

14.(NEW) A plate heat exchanger comprising a pair of end
plates, a plurality of first passageway plates each having a first
passageway defined therein, a plurality of second passageway plates
each having a second passageway defined therein, and a plurality of
partition plates,

Attachment "E"

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